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Sen. Bishop's bill to protect Children from pornographic e-mail spam passes Senate

LANSING — The Senate this week unanimously approved a bill that would help parents protect their children from receiving pornographic e-mails and other electronic messages, Sen. Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, announced.

Bishop sponsored the measure, Senate Bill 1025, that would create a do-not-contact registry to protect children from some e-mail and text messages.

“For too long, letting a child use e-mail meant possibly exposing them to obscene pornographic images,” Bishop said. “My effort puts parents back in charge of what their children see online or through other messaging methods.”

The bill would allow parents to put their child's e-mail address on an off-limits registry to keep minors from receiving advertisements from pornographic, gambling or other Web sites offering things illegal to minors. Bishop's effort has received national attention.

The bill now heads to the House of Representatives for consideration.

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